

Remarks:

This preliminary amendment is being submitted in an effort to correct informalities and typographical errors.

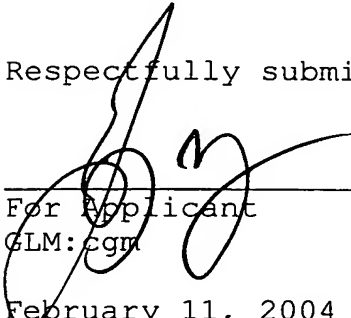
New FIGS. 1A, 1B, 3, and 4 are submitted for approval.

Specifically, FIGS. 1A and 1B have been given the label "PRIOR ART," FIG. 3 has been changed to correct an improperly placed reference line, and a reference numeral has been added to FIG. 4. No new matter has been added.

All of the changes are properly supported in the original application. No new matter has been added.

An early action on the merits of the application is solicited. If an extension of time for this paper is required, petition for extension is herewith made. Please charge any fees that might be due with respect to Sections 1.16 and 1.17 to the Deposit Account of Lerner and Greenberg, P.A., No. 12-1099.

Respectfully submitted,

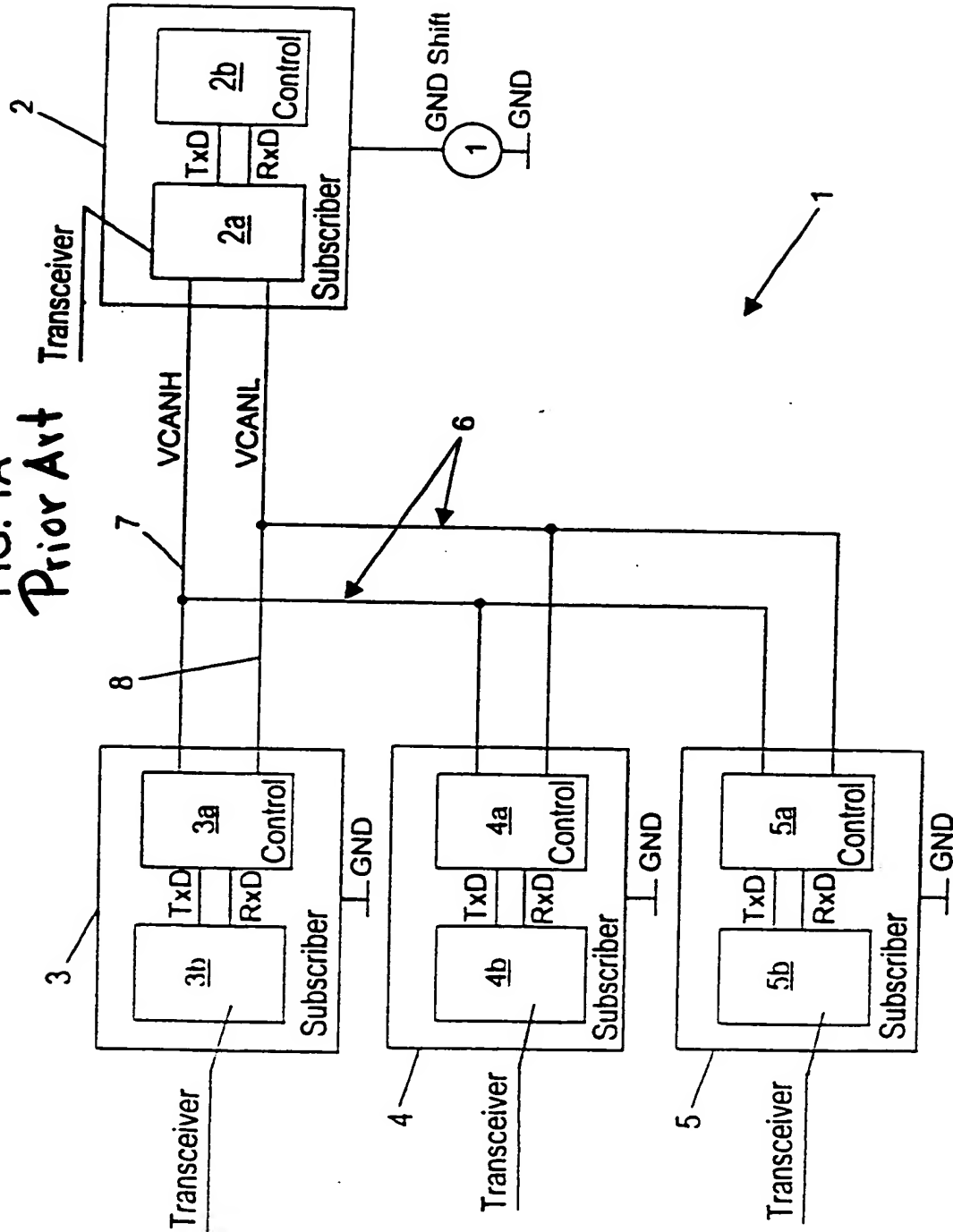
  
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FIG. 1A  
*Prior Art*



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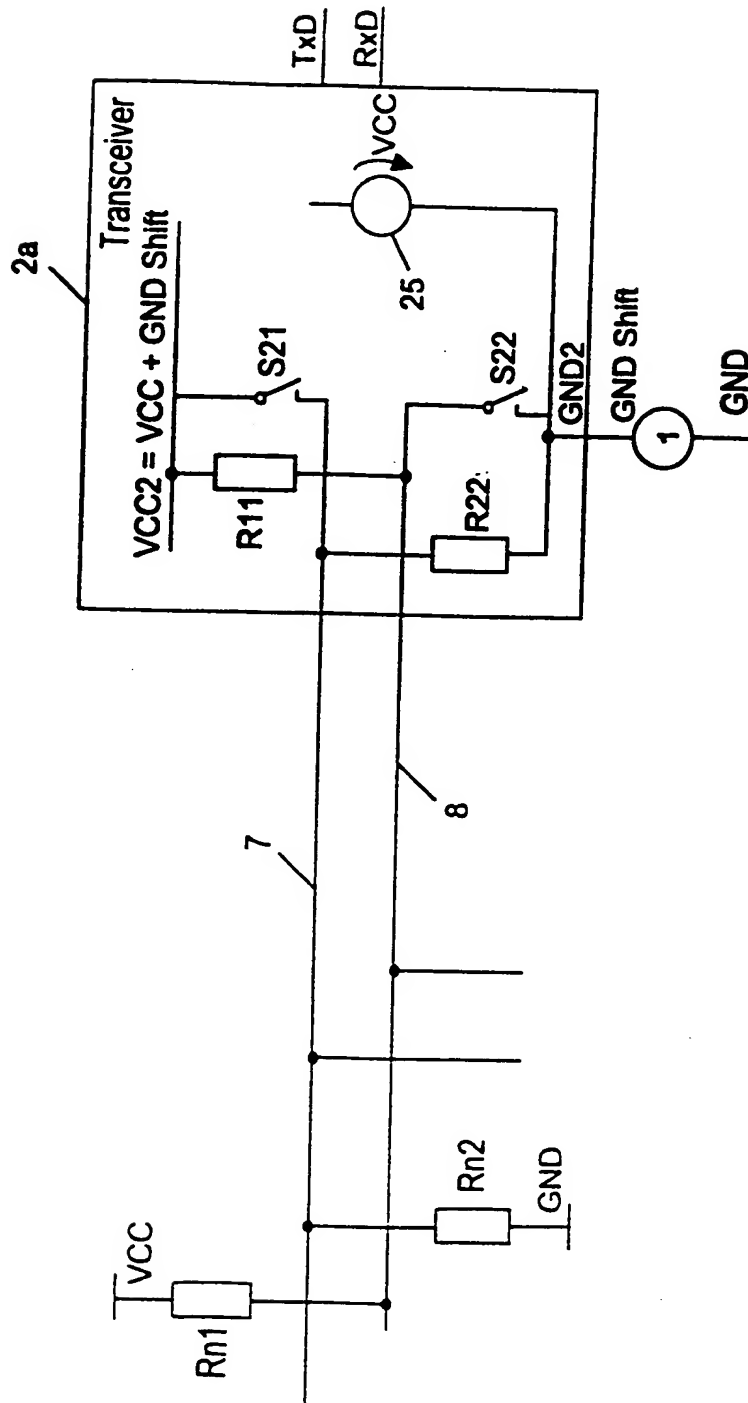


FIG. 1B  
Prior Art



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